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Don't Blame The Grocer

—if the Coffee he sells you isn't as good as you would like it to be. The chances are that you didn't pay him enough.

How can a grocer be expected to sell real good Coffee unless you pay him what's right?

Tip-top Coffee can't be sold for less than 33 1-3 cts. a pound. At this price I sell Blanke's Coffee, which is more than tip-top—it is absolutely the best.

Any grocer ought to give you good Coffee at that price, but I give the best.

My Chief Aim

—in running a grocery is to please my customers so well that they will trade with me all the time.

To those who buy somewhere else I would say again: If you are real particular about what you eat, please remember that I'm a real particular grocer. I buy and sell the best foods I can find, and the prices are never above cost.

S. M. WHITE,

Pure Food Grocer.

KEYTESVILLE, - - - MISSOURI.

Old Settlers' Picnic.

The citizens of Keytesville must bear in mind that the old settlers, of Chariton county, are going to hold their annual picnic at this place on Monday, August 10th. Every comfort should be supplied for these grand old pioneers on that occasion and make the day one glad, sweet song of enjoyment.

A mass-meeting of our citizens should be called soon, committees appointed and all of the necessary arrangements made.

Keytesville must maintain her reputation of never doing anything by halves. Let open-handed hospitality and good cheer reign supreme. In honoring Chariton county's old settlers Keytesville will do honor to herself.

More Missouri Township Troubles.

Constable F. M. Veatch was called to Missouri township last Friday to arrest Newton Jackson, col., on a warrant sworn out by Joann Woods, another Missouri township negro, charging Jackson with having unlawfully, wilfully and maliciously broken and injured the doors and windows of the affiant's dwelling house and also with disturbing his (Woods') peace by quarreling, challenging and threatening to fight him, the said Woods.

On being brought before Judge DeMoss, Jackson gave a bond of \$100 in each case for his appearance for trial on Thursday, July 2nd.

As the cases are being tried as we go to press the results can not be given until next week.

The Gallatin Water Strip.

One of the most perfect little inventions of the age is the Gallatin water strip, sold by Geo. W. Conrad.

The undersigned citizens, of Keytesville, have tried it and guarantee it to keep water from running under an out side-door, save carpets, keep out cold, etc.

Hugo Bartz, J. E. Demsey,
W. T. Rice, J. C. Kellogg,
Hansman & Rick, H. A. Wheeler,
C. P. Thrash.

Two Unpleasanties.

It is both unpleasant to dun or be dunned, and yet if an editor never dunned his subscribers he could not pay his employees nor meet his obligations for paper, type, ink, etc.

An editor also has a great many other troubles besides dunning delinquent subscribers or being dunned himself, but we prefer not to burden you with them as you, too, probably have troubles of your own.

So we will only ask you to pay your subscription, and if you will do so promptly we guarantee that you will feel better—so will we.

Eye troubles make it necessary that the editor of this paper go to Kansas City for treatment, and we must shape our affairs to that end; but in order to do that we must collect some money to pay our employees during our absence, pay the doctor's bill, our board bill, etc.

Under similar circumstances we would gladly lend a helping hand to any of our readers, and we shall expect them to be equally as considerate of us.

Elsewhere in this issue of the COURIER, dear delinquent, we send you a statement of your account, and hope you will send us the amount it calls for by return mail. We need it.

Yours Respectfully,

C. P. VANDIVER,
Pub. COURIER,
Keytesville, Mo., July 3rd, '96.

Earn Burned.

About dark last Tuesday night A. G. Arrington's barn, two miles southwest of this place, was discovered to be on fire. When the fire was first observed it had bursted through the roof, and all efforts to save the building were at once realized as useless, so attention was turned to rescuing the contents, consisting of some horses, farming implements, harness, about 40 barrels of corn and two or three tons of hay. The hay and corn and one set of old harness, however, could not be gotten out and were destroyed with the barn.

There was no insurance on either the barn or its contents.

It is not known definitely how the fire had its origin, but it is supposed to have been caused by a mouse igniting a match which had probably been dropped by Halterman's threshing machine hands who slept in the hay mow on Monday night.

Wedding Bells.

CHAPMAN-CLARK:—Mr. Oscar A. Chapman and Miss Myrtle Clark, both of Triplett, were married at Snyder on Sunday, June 23th, Rev. I. S. Lawson sealing the plighted vows.

GUNN-BOES:—Mr. James M. Gunn and Miss Maria A. Boes, both of near Salisbury, were married at the residence of the officiating justice of the peace, H. A. Wheeler, in Keytesville on Thursday, June 25th.

Judge Wheeler takes much pleasure in making "two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one" at Hymen's altar, but in this particular instance most of the poetry was knocked out of the occasion by the bridegroom's standing the judge off for the marriage fee of \$2.50, on the grounds that the match was the fruits of an elopement and that in changing his pants he had, in his haste, left his pocket-book in his "other" trousers, and couldn't get into the bank as he came through Salisbury as it was after banking hours. He promised to send the fee over, but in the great enjoyment of his honey-moon has, perhaps, forgotten to do so, and Judge Wheeler has begun to think he has been made the victim of a confidence game.

On June 6th Mr. Gunn took out a marriage license to wed Miss Ida Pyles, of Salisbury, but for some reason the nuptial knot was never tied, and on Thursday of last week he "traded" his license to Recorder Smith for a license granting him the

right to trot in double harness with Miss Mary A. Boes, a maiden lady of 35 years. He promised to send Mr. Smith a dollar to boot, but the "boot" has probably gone in quest of Judge Wheeler's marriage fee and hasn't gotten back yet, which accounts for Recorder Smith's sorrowful appearance since last Thursday.

Judge Wheeler is more hopeful, however, and still continues to watch the mails as his confidence in frail humanity, though shaken, is not entirely lost.

A Fisherman's Queer Experience.

"Grandpa" Moore, of Keytesville, went fishing the other day and caught an animal that does not usually bite at bait used by fishermen. While he was quietly sitting on the bank on one side of the creek waiting for a nibble at his hook, some free Americans of African descent on the other side were amusing themselves at the antics of a dog which would swim out into the water for the purpose of bringing out any article they would throw in.

They finally threw in a small rock, which, of course, sank out of sight. The dog swam for that also, and not finding it, he grabbed "Grandpa" Moore's cork and started off with it. The old gentleman held on to the pole and the cork in the dog's mouth slipped to the end of the line on which the hook was fastened. The hook was soon stuck fast in the dog's lip, and such a floundering as the dog made to get loose was never excelled by the antics of any variety of the finny tribe on similar occasions. "Grandpa" continued to hold on to the pole in hopes of landing his catch, but a final struggle of his dogship tore a slit in his lip which liberated the barb of the hook and set him free.

It was a rough joke played on the poor dog, but the fisherman was not to blame.

The Value of a Good Name.

The value of a good name was forcibly demonstrated in Keytesville last Friday when Humphrey Hammons, the 16-year-old son of a widowed mother, Mrs. Sallie Hammons, was arrested on a warrant charging him with stealing a bottle of whiskey, which a little son of J. B. Cooper had been sent to the saloon to purchase for his grandmother.

After buying the liquor the little fellow started home, but met a crowd of boys who were amusing themselves by running the freight car of the Keytesville Street railway over some popping matches, and the Cooper boy stopped to join in the sport.

He laid the bottle of whiskey down on top of the car, but when he started home he could not find it and commenced crying.

Some one suggested that Humphrey Hammons had it, and Marshal Embree started to search him. After first having denied he had the whiskey, Humphrey handed the bottle and its liquid contents to the marshal.

Marshal Embree then swore out a warrant before Justice DeMoss charging Hammons with the theft of the whiskey.

Saturday morning a trial was had by jury in Justice DeMoss' court. The accused was found guilty and sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, which, including the cost, will give him 30 days on the county rock pile.

The punishment seems rather severe for the offense committed, but the Hammons boy has an unsavory reputation, has an antipathy for work, and is a confirmed loafer which probably had a great deal to do with the verdict of the jury.

Besides, the boy that has a bad name everybody seems ready to kick him, and Humphrey Hammons seems to be no exception to this rule.

"A good name is rather to be desired than great riches," is a trite adage of holy unit that every boy ought to be taught to realize the incalculable value of, for the boy who doesn't properly appreciate the value of a good name is always below par and on the down road to ruin.

Alex Johnson in Jail Again.

Alexander Johnson, a colored resident of Missouri township, to whom the county jail bars are familiar, he having served out several sentences in the county bastille for various petty offenses, was again lodged in durance vile last Monday on a warrant sworn out by Mary Hughes, the dusky spouse of Robt. Hughes, col., of Missouri township, charging him with disturbing peace by loud and unusual noise, profane and indecent conversation, quarreling, challenging, etc., and especially "etc.," on Sunday, June 28th.

Pestiferous Alexander, the Loud and Indecent, was arrested on Monday by Constable Veatch, brought to Keytesville and taken before Judge DeMoss, who fixed his bond at \$100 for his appearance for trial on Thursday, July 2nd.

In default of the required bond Johnson was escorted to jail where he seems to be entirely at home.

The trial is in progress as we go to press.

Notice.

Section 5,054 of Vol. II of the Revised, 1889, Statutes of Missouri makes it the duty of road overseers to notify the owner or owners of hedge fences that are more than five feet high along the public road or highway to cut the same to a height of not more than five nor less than four feet. Said notice must be served on owner or owners or agent of such fence by road overseers in writing, and if within thirty days after the service of such notice the owner or owners or agent shall fail or refuse to cut down the same as required by section 5,053, then it shall be the duty of the overseer forthwith to proceed to have the same cut down. And all costs and expenses which the road overseer shall necessarily incur shall be charged by him against the owner or owners of the land upon which such fence is situated, and shall constitute a tax upon such land, and shall be collected as other revenue for road purposes is now collected by law.

Parties having hedge fences in district No. 2, Keytesville township, will save trouble by giving heed to the above by August 1st.

JOHN Q. PERKINS,
Road Overseer District No. 2.

Stock Shipments.

The following stock shipments have been reported to the COURIER for this week:

Messrs. Taylor, West & Courtney, two car loads of hogs and two car loads of cattle. The cattle were bought of W. J. Oliver, of Missouri township.

G. L. Sisler, one car load of hogs. Dr. H. T. Garnett, one car load of hogs and two car loads of cattle.

Peter Smith, two car loads of cattle. Goll Bros. two car loads of hogs. James Wren two car loads of hogs.

Announcement.

The Indian Grove Presbyterian church will give an ice-cream supper to the general public on Wednesday night, July 8th. If the weather is unfavorable at this date, the occasion will take place on the night following.

Money.

We can loan money on gilt-edged farms at 6 1-2 per cent. in amounts of \$2,000 and over. Address, London & Hicks, Macon, Mo. Office over post-office.

Letter List.

The following is the list of unclaimed letters in the Keytesville, Mo., post-office July 3rd, 1896:

Lewis Davis,
L. M. Ferguson.
When calling for the above letters please say "advertised."

JOHN CHIVERS, P. M.

Attention Stockmen.

I have two extra good yearling Holstein bulls, now ready for service, for sale. Both are registered and as desirable individuals as can be found in the state.

JAS. F. TAYLOR,
Keytesville, Mo.

The Tomb.

HURT:—It becomes our painful duty to chronicle this week the sad and sudden death of one of Keytesville's beloved, honored citizens.

Alonzo E. Hurt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hurt, was born seven miles southeast of Keytesville March 3rd, 1864, and died at his home, in Keytesville, after four days' illness of appendicitis July 1st, 1896. Deceased grew to manhood on the farm upon which he was raised, and after preparing himself for the position, became one of the most popular and successful teachers of Chariton county. He was employed to teach in room No. 5 of the Keytesville public school last fall and had been re-employed to teach again this fall.

On the 8th day of October, 1891, deceased was married to Miss Minnie, the lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Powhatan Agee, who then lived five miles southeast of Keytesville. Of this union three children, two daughters and one son, have been born, all of whom are too young to realize the loss of a fond and loving father.

After a surgical operation performed by Dr. Clapp, of Moberly, assisted by Drs. Perkins, Dewey and Downing, of Keytesville, the case was found to be a more serious one than was at first thought. A few hours thereafter the patient began to sink. Of his approaching dissolution he seemed well advised and requested W. W. Hancock to offer a prayer, after which he called his weeping wife and innocent children to his bedside and bade each farewell, telling them all was well with him, that everything was bright and clear. Recognizing a number of friends he spoke to each in turn as calmly as though he was going on a short journey, soon to return, then became unconscious and in a little while passed to the Great Beyond.

The remains were taken to the cemetery near New Hope Baptist church Thursday evening, the 2nd inst., for interment. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. F. D. Arnold.

The bereaved young wife and children of deceased have the united sympathy of this entire community. The bereavement to them is scarcely greater than that which falls to his beloved mother, whom deceased accompanied as far as Kansas City two months since on her journey to Oregon where she is now visiting Mrs. E. V. Dalton, her youngest daughter.

Marriage Licenses.

Oscar A. Chapman and Miss Myrtle Clark; James M. Gunn and Miss Maria A. Boes; N. A. Minks and Miss Ida Wilson.

Lost.

On Tuesday, June 23rd, the day of the county convention, I lost the diploma of my son, John E. M. Taylor, given by the Salisbury academy. The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at the Keytesville post-office.

A. D. TAYLOR,
Keytesville, Mo.

Dr. Worley, Surgeon Dentist.

Will be in Keytesville every month and remain 10 days prepared to do everything in the dental line, including the extracting of teeth without pain. His next date here is from July 6th to 15th.

For Sale.

A family nag, buggy and harness. Inquire of Warner Ford, Keytesville, Mo.

The Brunswick-Salisbury ball game, played at Salisbury last Tuesday between two colored teams, resulted in a victory for Brunswick, the score standing 16 to 13.

"Uncle Chap" Crawley says that he wants it emphatically understood that this country doesn't need England's help in brin'g about bimetalism, and that any statement to the contrary, are bare-faced, ball-headed carnards—a trick of some, so-called, bimetalists but who are in reality the worst kind of gold-bugs.

Tyson S. Dines, president-elect of Central college at Fayette, spent Monday night in Keytesville the guest of his brother-in-law, A. F. Tooley.

W. T. Curran has bought the Geo. F. Cox property, known as the "Aunt Mary" Gilliam premises, in the northeast part of town. Mr. Cox acquired the property last April as an investment and sold it to Mr. Curran at a satisfactory advance. Mr. Curran paying \$400 for it. The new owner will add a kitchen and dining room and will rehaul the old part of the house throughout before moving to the place.

The suit of Mrs. Mary F. Nichols against Theodore Palmer, brought on a change of venue from Justice J. M. Collins' court in Mendon township to Justice J. M. DeMoss' court at Keytesville, for the possession of 120 acres of land in township 55, range 20, and \$774.66 rent, came up for trial last Saturday, but neither party being ready the case was continued by agreement until Tuesday, July 21st. The attorneys in the case are L. N. Dempsey for plaintiff and Davis & Davis with Crawley & Son for defendant.

Messrs. T. J. Martin and Capt. J. C. Wallace, of Keytesville, and James W. Davis, of Brunswick, attended the judicial convention for the western district of Missouri at Pertle Springs as delegates from this county last Tuesday. The convention nominated Judge Ellison for judge of the Kansas City court of appeals by acclamation. Judge Broadbuss, of Livingston county, having withdrawn before he was placed in nomination. Judge Broadbuss' friends will endeavor to secure his nomination for the court of appeals bench four years hence to succeed Judge Thos. A. Gill.

"Uncle Tom" Elliott discovered a short time ago that he was afflicted with a tape-worm and put himself in the hands of Dr. Aldridge, who succeeded last Wednesday in removing a worm 36 feet long, including the head, so that no further trouble is feared through leaving a part of it in the bowels. It was observed by every one around town that "Uncle Tom" was aging rapidly of late, but the cause was not surmised by any one until the tape-worm was discovered. He says he feels now like his youth was being renewed—in fact, is as gay as a 10-year-old boy.

We are in receipt of a handsomely printed catalogue from the press of the Howard County Leader of that splendid educational institution, Central college, Fayette, of which our talented and worthy friend, Tyson S. Dines, has just been elected president. We notice from the list of students for 1895-6 that Chariton county was represented by E. A. Hogan, Salisbury; C. H. Magruder, Brunswick; W. P. Carskadon, Dalton, and Sam'l Epperly, Prairie Hill. The total enrollment of students for the years mentioned was 189.

We received a letter last week from Mr. Felix Redding, of Bucklin, who is an old Keytesville boy, a native of Chariton county, upon whom the light of day first dawned 68 years ago. He had heard of the souvenir edition of the COURIER containing a write-up of Chariton county as it now is. Mr. Redding wanted a copy so as to compare Chariton county of the long ago with Chariton county of the present day. He will read the COURIER for the next year. There are several old Keytesvillians left, including "Uncle Tom" Elliott and Wm. E. Hill, who have very kindly remembrances of Mr. Redding. He is not far away and his old friends here would be glad to have him visit them.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between Jos. F. Hansman and Henry Rick, under the firm name of Hansman & Rick, in the saloon business and distilling business at Keytesville, Mo., has been dissolved by mutual consent. Henry Rick retiring from said firm. All of the indebtedness of said firm is assumed by Jos. F. Hansman, surviving partner.

JOS. F. HANSMAN,
HENRY RICK.
Keytesville, Mo., July 1st, 1896.